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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Occupational Therapy Practice

MEETING DATE AND TIME: March 7, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: May 2, 2012

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Wendy Mears, Professional Member, Chairperson Kimberly Pierson, Professional Member, Vice Chairperson Rosemarie Vanderhoogt, Public Member

## **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Nancy Broadhurst, Professional Member, Secretary Victor Kennedy, Public Member

## **ALSO PRESENT**

Edward Murauskas
Deanna Cain
Barbara Trader
Karin Parsons
Liz Stiffler
Stephanie Duke
William Crump
Megan Bever
Tomika Holmes

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Melanie Phy Passwater Elizabeth Mucha Kimberly Eastburn Hilary Webb Virginia Gaschler Robin Walls Logan Esham **Dorie Nichols** Christina Connors Lori Marshall Dawn Steele **Becky Geiger** Linda Corcoran Denise Leathem Gina Johnson Dawn Stewart Mamta Pednekar Laura Healy

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Mears called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the January 4, 2012 meeting. Ms. Vanderhoogt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pierson to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Discussion: Criminal Background Checks

Ms. Warren was present to discuss amending the law to require criminal background checks for applicants applying for licensure. She reported that other health related professions have moved forward to require criminal background checks and inquired if the Board wanted to move in that direction. Ms. Mears made a motion, seconded by Ms. Vanderhoogt to move forward to make it a requirement for licensure that an applicant must have a criminal background check. The motion was unanimously carried. Ms. Warren also discussed amending the law to include language to bar licensure or for revocation of a license for a felony sexual offense. Ms. Pierson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Vanderhoogt to add an amendment to the statue to include a bar for licensure and revocation of a license for a felony sexual offense. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Ratify Applications for Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant

Ms. Vanderhoogt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pierson to ratify the following applications:

Joanne VanNess (Occupational Therapist)
Evelin Sone (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
Brittany Cox (Occupational Therapist)
Tara Altenritter (Occupational Therapist)

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Stephanie Gordziel (Occupational Therapist)
Ronald Crockett (Occupational Therapist)
Erica Drayton (Occupational Therapy Assistant)

The motion was unanimously carried.

## **Review of Continuing Education Activities**

Ms. Mears made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pierson to approve the following continuing education courses:

University of Delaware and others

Inclusion: It Should Just Be How We Roll – 5 hours

**Great Lakes Seminars** 

An Introduction to Vestibular Rehabilitation – 16 hours

ATG Rehab

Clinical and Functional Outcomes for the Wheelchair Seated Adult and Child - 2 hours

Nemours/A. I. DuPont Hospital for Children

If You Can't Breathe, You Can't Function – 20.5 hours

Kim Pierson – CARF and Boston University

Transforming Outcomes Data into Management Information – 19 hours

**Clinical Education Concepts** 

Upper Extremity Prosthetics – 1 hour

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ms. Mears made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pierson to approve the following continuing education courses:

Nancy Bartuska – Brain Injury Association of Delaware

Beyond Rehabilitation: Reclaim and Rejuvenate (21st Annual Conference) – 5.5 hours

International Sports and Fitness Trainers Association

Rehab Fitness Specialist – 15 hours Foam Rolling Techniques – 5.25 hours Stability Ball Trainer – 7.5 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ms. Mears made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pierson to table the following continuing education course and to request a timed agenda:

Suzanne Reid – Rehabdynamix

Examination and Treatment of Somatic Nocioceptive Pain Utilizing Reflex Release Inhibition Techniques

The motion was unanimously carried.

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# **Review of Application**

The Board reviewed the application of Eldon Roscoe III for licensure as an occupational therapist. Ms. Vanderhoogt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pierson to approve Mr. Roscoe's application. The motion was unanimously carried

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Review of Sample Consent Forms or Written Posted Notices

This was tabled until the next meeting.

## OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

There was no other business before the Board.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Murauskas asked about the criminal background checks. Ms. Heeney explained about the criminal background checks and substantially related crimes.

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Ms. Mears made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pierson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle L. Melvin

Administrative Specialist III